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August 18, 2009

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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AUGUST 18, 2009

Sachi A. Hamai
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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

**CHANGES IN WORK FOR A PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT
TOPANGA BEACH BOOSTER PUMP STATION UPGRADE
UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF FERNWOOD
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 3)
(4 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

This action is to approve changes in work and the increased contract amount for a public works construction contract in the unincorporated community of Fernwood.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 29, MALIBU - Find that the requested changes in work for variations in bid quantities, wall fan upgrade, and obtaining a Caltrans permit, with an increase in the contract amount of \$70,939.60 have no significant effect on the environment and approve the increased contract amount and the changes for Project ID No. WWD2900009 - Topanga Beach Booster Pump Station Upgrade, in the unincorporated community of Fernwood, being performed by Schuler Engineering Corporation.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to obtain the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors' (Board) approval for the changes in public works contract in support of the timely completion of the project while avoiding delays and the potential for claims. The descriptions of the changes, estimated costs, and the necessary time extensions are listed in the enclosure.

The Director of Public Works or her designee has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Enclosed for your ratification is a change in work, which the Director of Public Works ordered for this project. Also, enclosed for your authorization are changes in work in excess of the Director's delegated limit, which are required to complete the project.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3). Approval of these changes will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public and enhance the quality of life in the affected community.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

These changes in work will have no impact to the County General Fund.

The estimated change order amount for this contract is \$70,939.60.

Funding for these changes in work are included the Fiscal Year 2009-10 Accumulative Capital Outlay Fund of Waterworks District No. 29, Malibu. Detailed cost breakdowns for the changes, together with contract cost summaries, are included in the enclosure.

If these changes in work are not approved, contract completion will be delayed and increased costs incurred.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The contract for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to a responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director of Public Works or her designee.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The changes in work as described above and in the enclosure do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

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CONTRACTING PROCESS

The contract provides that the contractor be compensated for the work resulting from changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs are based on contract unit prices, time and materials, or negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the costs of the changes are included in the enclosure.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the requested changes by your Board will ensure the timely completion of work under the contract and result in complete and usable facilities.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gail Farber".

GAIL FARBER

Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office (Lari Sheehan)
County Counsel
Executive Office
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

CHANGE IN WORK (AUTHORIZE)
August 18, 2009

PROJECT ID NO. WWD2900009 - TOPANGA BEACH BOOSTER PUMP STATION UPGRADE (in the unincorporated community of Fernwood), Supervisorial District 3
Contractor: Schuler Engineering Corporation

Project Description:

Replacement of an aging booster pump station and the performance of other appurtenant work.

Changes in Work:

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| (1) Variations in Bid Quantities | \$63,675.00 |
| (2) Remove Interfering Pipe | 4,530.00 |
| (3) State Encroachment Permit | 2,074.60 |
| (4) Wall Fan Upgrade | <u>660.00</u> |
| Total | <u>\$70,939.60</u> |

Description of Changes:

(1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

(2) While digging a trench to install a 12-inch waterline, the contractor encountered an abandoned pipe that interferes with construction. The contractor will have to be compensated for removing and disposing the abandoned pipe.

(3) It will be necessary to compensate the contractor for obtaining the State Encroachment Permit as required by the contract documents.

(4) The wall fans will be upgraded to a more efficient model. It will be necessary to compensate the contractor for this additional cost.

The costs for Item 1 will be based on contract unit prices. The cost for Item 2 was negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications. The costs for Items 3 and 4 will be based on time and materials as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

One additional working day will be required because of these changes.

Financial Information:

Funding for these changes in work is included in the Fiscal Year 2009-10 Accumulative Capital Outlay Fund of Waterworks District No. 29, Malibu.

Revised Contract Amount:

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| Original contract amount | \$2,574,430.00 |
| Changes in work to be authorized | <u>70,939.60</u> |
| Revised contract amount | <u>\$2,645,369.60</u> |
| Percent total change to original contract amount | 2.8% |

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